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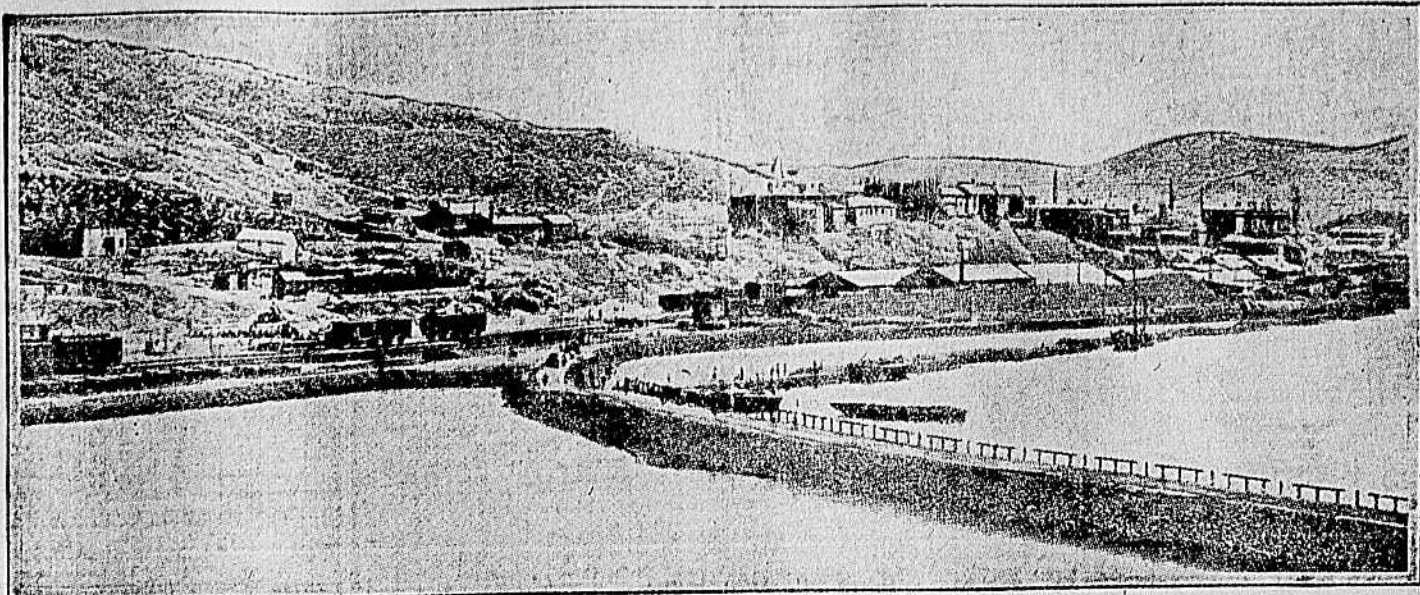
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PORT ARTHUR, REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN BOTTLED UP BY THE JAPANESE.

Report Denied by Telegrams From St. Petersburg and Discredited

HEAVY FIRING OFF GEN SAN

Belief That Admiral Yezzen May Have Gone Out to Meet the Japanese Squadron—A Big Land Fight Thought to Be Imminent.

By Paul Lambeth.

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LONDON, May 4.—If a report, which reaches here to-night that heavy firing had been heard off Gen San to-day, is true, it probably means that Admiral Yezzen, emboldened by the success of his recent raid, has made another dash from Vladivostok and has met the Japanese squadron under Admiral Kamimura, and that a desperate naval battle is in progress, which navy men here believe will result in the putting off of action of the Vladivostok squadron, if not in its destruction.

Conflicting accounts come from St. Petersburg and Tokio as to the success of Admiral Togo's latest attempt to bottle up Port Arthur. The Russians insist that the attempt resulted in flat failure, while from Tokio, comes equally positive assurances that it was completely successful. The preponderance of opinion here is rather favorable to the Russian contention.

All the news concerning the movements on land point to the imminence of a great battle at Feng Wang Cheng. With characteristic energy, General Kuroki has pushed on after the Russians and his force is close to the Russian's position. The two armies are in touch and reinforcements are being rushed to the front with all possible dispatch by both commanders. It rests with General Kuropatkin, who is said to be present at the front in person, whether or not there will be general fighting. That Kuroki intends to attack as soon as his forces are disposed to his liking, admits of no doubt. If as the reports indicate, he overlaps both flanks of the Russian position, it is altogether probable that Kuropatkin will decline the game of battle and fall back on Liao Yang. The next few days will tell the story.

Nothing further has been heard of the reported capture of New Chwang and the report was probably without foundation. Private advices received from Pekin and Shan Hai Kwan confirm the reports of Chinese restlessness and strengthen the belief that China will soon throw aside her neutrality and make common cause with Japan. The belief is gaining ground that the army under the command of General Oku has landed at Taku Shan and the attack on the Liao Tung peninsula will be made from the land side instead of from the sea. This would concentrate the Japanese forces against the main body of the Russians.

VOTERS INDIGNANT IN BARTON HEIGHTS

Only Forty of Town's Citizens Can Vote, Others Accused of Presumption.

The usually quiet town of Barton Heights is now in a state of great political turmoil and confusion, which will culminate in a mass-meeting of the Democratic citizens to be held to-night at 8 o'clock.

The object of the meeting is to nominate candidates for Mayor and three seats in the Council, and the great question is who is entitled to participate. It turns out that of a possible 150 Democratic voters, only forty have complied with the new constitutional provision, requiring poll tax payment six months prior to an election, and these forty are saying that the other 110 will be ineligible to vote.

The citizens' organization will hold a regular meeting prior to the meeting of the Democratic caucus, and the persons of the two bodies will be practically the same, though their objects widely differ. The former will discuss the general interests of the town, while the latter will take up the matter of municipal politics. In the latter, meeting some very lively times are expected, and some hot political, not to say personal, clashes may arise.

KASHTALINSKY'S REPORT.

Russian General Informs Emperor of Circumstances of Yalu Battle.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, May 4.—The Emperor received the following dispatch from General Kashtalinsky:

"I consider it my duty to report the circumstances of the grievous, yet glorious battle fought by the troops under my command with the superior forces of the Japanese on May 1st. 'Early on the morning of April 30th the Japanese began to oppose our left flank, having on the previous evening occupied the Khassian Heights, after an attack, in consequence of which I ordered the Twenty-second Regiment, which had occupied Khassian, to retire across the river to our position at Potelitsky."

"On the morning of the same day an extraordinarily prolonged and violent battle was fought, in which, advancing in column, sustained enormous losses, but crossed the ford and attacked our position, which was exposed to the fire of thirty-six field guns and siege batteries."

"The Japanese advanced and occupied the position. I ascertained that the Japanese had routed the battalion of the Twenty-second Regiment posted at Ching-dow, and were turning my left flank."

"At 1 o'clock in the afternoon my left flank was reinforced by five battalions of the Eleventh Regiment and many more."

THE WHISKEY MEN ARE ALL CONVICTED

VIRGINIANS START HOME

Commission Left St. Louis Last Night After a Week's Stay in Magic City.

GENTLEMEN WELL PLEASED

Hotels Have Come to Their Senses and Are Not So Exorbitant as at First.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
ST. LOUIS, MO., May 4.—After a stay of a week or more the Virginia commission to the World's Fair, left to-day for home, well pleased with the situation as a whole. The item of expenses is a cause for some concern, and the gentlemen have been forced to do some wonderful financing to make the ends meet, after encompassing the very remarkable conditions prevailing here.

It is a noteworthy fact, however, that St. Louis is beginning, though slowly, to come to its senses and the hostilities and boarding places were to-day not nearly so domineering and exorbitant as they have been for some time. This is due to the relatively small outside attendance, which would have been made even smaller had the almost prohibitive rates continued long.

The situation will grow more bearable with the advance of time and the expense it gives, and the way will be much easier a month or two hence. Several Virginia people have called at Monticello, but, as might be supposed, the attendance from the O. Dominion is small as yet.

Virginia day will be on September 23d, and can be made a most notable event here if the money is forthcoming. The other States are dedicating their buildings with elaborate ceremonies, to which all of St. Louis, together with the outside world gathered here are flocking. Unless several thousands are realized, Virginia's fine showing, as she is making, can have no dedicatory exercises at all. The expense continues to grow with leap and bound. Sousa, Innes and others almost as notable, are flooding the place with the sweetest music, and to-day an unusually large crowd visited the grounds and inspected the wonders thereof. There were no public exercises of note to-day.

J. F. G.
Kid McFadden Knocked Out.
(By Associated Press.)
SAVANNAH, GA., May 4.—Tommy Fether to-night knocked out Kid McFadden, of San Francisco, in the fourth round of what was scheduled to be a twenty-round bout at 118 pounds. The mill was very fast and clever. McFadden was up two seconds after the count out. Attendance 1,200.

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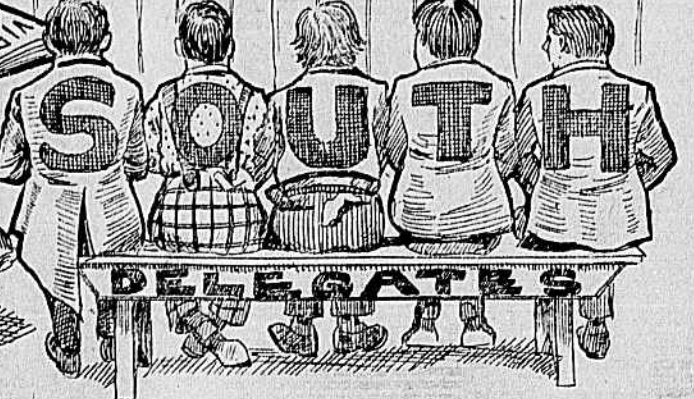
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PARKER FOR NOMINATION



LEARNING THEIR LESSON.

FACTIONS UNITE IN STRONG PARKER CLUB

Gold and Silver Men Pull Together and Make Hon. Chas. V. Meredith President.

IT MEANS GOOD RESULTS

Political Enemies of 1896 to Fight Under Common Banner. Meredith for Delegate.

A strong Alton B. Parker organization was effected in this city last night, and the decided feature of the affair was the coming together of the gold and silver wings of the party and the unanimous selection of Hon. Charles V. Meredith, a most brilliant and persistent leader of the former, as president.

This action forebodes no evil for the Democracy in November, as it is in line with the harmonious efforts for the presentation of a united front, which are being made all over the country by the hitherto distracted wings of the party.

The selection of Mr. Meredith as president of the Parker Club means more than the mere formal conduct of a campaign, for delegates favoring the nomination of the great New York jurist, it means not only that Richmond Democrats are strongly against the Hearst movement, and will enter an aggressive fight for Parker, but that Mr. Meredith, one of the original Parker men in Richmond, will be the leader, and also the champion choice of the District Convention for one of the delegates to St. Louis if he will have the honor.

Detail of Organization.
The organization of the Parker Club took shape at Murphy's Hotel at 8 o'clock when Hon. E. C. Folkes called to order and Mr. Horace A. Hawkins was made temporary secretary.

The chair named Messrs. Henry P. Beck, C. Manning, Jr., and G. K. Pollock a committee to recommend permanent officers.

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SAILOR'S RECORD IS NOW STRAIGHT

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(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4.—After having been shanghaied in Norfolk, Va., shipped in an English tramp steamer as a fireman, put ashore in England, forced to beat his way back home, arrested when the steamer was four days out as a stow-away, and on his arrival in this country convicted by court martial, Fred McDougal, a landsman in the navy, by order of the Secretary of the Navy, has had his record made straight and will be reimbursed for his losses.

Last June, while absent on leave from the Franklin, then at Hampton Roads, McDougal was waiting along the streets of Norfolk one evening, when a stranger commented after some protestations. The stranger took him to a saloon in Water Street, where they had two glasses of beer, and that is the last McDougal remembered before he found himself off the English coast on the tramp steamer St. Herbert, bound for Rotterdam. From there the steamer went to Hamburg, and thence to South Shields, England, where he was put ashore with \$2.25 in his pocket as wages. Failing to secure assistance from the American consul at that place, McDougal worked his way to London, and thence stowed away on a cargo ship bound for Baltimore. When four days out he was arrested, and then the captain, on his arrival at Baltimore, turned him over to the police, who sent him in a few days to the Franklin, where he was tried by court martial, convicted and sentenced.

Shortly after his release, while in Norfolk, McDougal met the man who had shanghaied him, and had him arrested. He was Vance McNulty and kept a boarding house. He was fined \$100 for accepting illegal fees.

Reported that harbor of Port Arthur has been blocked by Japanese; naval battle expected to occur off Gen San shortly and heavy fighting seems imminent. General Kashtalinsky makes report to Emperor of circumstances surrounding the Yalu battle, in which the Russian army, under the command of General Kuropatkin, was defeated by the Japanese.

Tunnel destroyed by fire in Georgia. Sam Parks, famous labor leader, dies in Birmingham. Case says firm was not insolvent, but simply suspended business—Virginia Commissioners to World's Fair leave St. Louis to return home. Fred McDougal, United States sailor shanghaied, is now in good standing and will be reimbursed for losses sustained.

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SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:
Virginia—Thursday, warmer in southern portion; Friday fair, except showers in west portion; variable winds, becoming fresh south.
North Carolina—Fair Thursday, except showers in extreme west portion; Friday fair, followed by showers in west portion; variable winds, becoming fresh southeast.

Richmond's weather yesterday was delightful; bright, warm and the streets free from flying dust.

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May 5, 1904.
Sun rises.....5:12 HIGH TIDE.....8:44
Sun sets.....7:02 Morning.....9:21
Moon rises.....12:00 Evening.....9:21

Richmond.

Alton B. Parker Club organized with Hon. Charles V. Meredith as president. Much confusion and some indignation among voters entered the contest in Barton Heights—City Committee to meet to-morrow night, and it is believed that a primary will be held in the city to determine action to be taken regarding the election to an injury received while on duty—Contractor rushing work towards repairing the cave in at the intersection of Ninth and Main streets, the work to be completed in ten days—Trip to Jamestown of the A. P. V. postponed one day—Alumni of the University of Virginia making preparations for annual banquet to be given in this city—Hall for the meeting of the State Convention not fully decided upon—Interest in the championship ball game between Richmond College and Randolph-Macon Saturday, May 8th—Many business men desire to become citizens of Richmond by annexation—This is the last day of candidacy for the primary list—Mr. Harry Owen withdraws—May festival at Masonic Temple continues on its merry career.

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